

REMARKS

Claims 10-12 are currently pending in the application, as amended. Claims 1-9 and 13-20 have been cancelled. Support for pending claims 10-12 can be found in originally filed claims 10-12. Accordingly, no new matter has been added.

The Examiner contends that the application contains claims directed to eight (8) patentedly distinct species, as follows:

- Species I: Figures 1, 2;
- Species II: Figure 3;
- Species III: Figure 4;
- Species IV: Figure 5;
- Species V: Figure 6;
- Species VI: Figures 7, 8;
- Species VII: Figures 9, 10; and
- Species VIII: Figures 11, 12.

The Examiner has required election of a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claim shall be restricted if no generic claims are finally held to be allowable.

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.143, Applicant hereby elects the embodiment of Fig. 5. It is respectfully submitted that claims 10-12 read on Fig. 5. The foregoing election is made without traverse.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing Amendment and Response to Election Requirement and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the present application, including claims 10-12, is in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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